Reading for Information Grade 2 Correlations to Virginia State Curriculum

Reading for	Grade 2 Leveled	Virginia Science Standards
Information	Reader Titles	
Science Strand		
Life Science	• Plants Live and	Life Processes
	Grow	2.4 The student will investigate and understand that plants and animals undergo a series of
	• Plants: Alive and	orderly changes in their life styles. Key concepts include:
	Growing	b) flowering plants undergo many changes, from the formation of the flower to the
	• Plants: Living and	development of the fruit.
	Growing	
Earth Science	• All about Soil	Grade 3 Standard
	• What Is Soil?	Interrelationship in Earth/Space Systems
	 Facts about Soil 	3.7 The student will investigate and understand the major components of soil, its origin, and
		importance to plants and animals including humans. Key concepts include:
		a) soil provides the support and nutrients necessary for plant growth.
		b) topsoil is a natural product of subsoil and bedrock.
		c) rock, clay, silt, sand, and humus are components of soils.
		d) soil is a natural resource and should be conserved.

Reading for Information Social Studies Strand	Grade 2 Leveled Reader Titles	Virginia Social Studies Standards
History	 George Washington Carver César Chávez Sally Ride 	 2.11 The student will identify George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Susan B. Anthony, Helen Keller, Jackie Robinson, and Martin Luther King, Jr. as Americans whose contributions improved the lives of other Americans. 2.12 The student will understand that the United States is a land of people who have diverse ethnic origins, customs, and traditions, who make contributions to their communities, and who are united as Americans by common principles.
Geography	 Where We Live Where Do You Live? Your Land, Your Home 	2.3 The student will identify and compare changes in community life over time in terms of buildings, jobs, transportation, and population.
Civics	 We Need Rules and Laws Rules and Laws Following Laws and Rules 	Grade 3 Standard 3.10 The student will recognize why government is necessary in the classroom, school,, and community by: a) explaining the purpose of rules and laws. b) explaining the basic purposes of government are to make laws, carry out laws, and decide if laws have been broken. c) explaining that government protects the rights and property of individuals.
Economics	 Why Do We Need Money? Money and Work Making Money 	2.8 The student will distinguish between the use of barter and money in the exchange for goods and services.

Reading for Information Grade 3 Correlations to Virginia Content Standards

Reading for	Grade 3 Leveled	Virginia Science Standards Covered in Program
Information	Reader Titles	
Science Strand		
Life Science	 Environments in Action Ecosystems Everywhere! Ecosystems 	 Living Systems 3.6 The student will investigate and understand that environments support a diversity of plants and animals that share limited resources. Key concepts include: a) water-related environments (pond, marshland, swamp, stream, river, and ocean environments). b) dry-land environments (desert, grassland, rain forest, and forest environments). c) population and community.
		Grade 2 Standard Living Systems 2.5 The student will investigate and understand that living things are part of a system. Key concepts include: a) living organisms are interdependent with their living and nonliving surroundings. b) habitats change over time due to many influences.
		Grade 4 Standard Living Systems 4.5 The student will investigate and understand how plants and animals in an ecosystem interact with one another and the nonliving environment. Key concepts include: a) behavioral and structural adaptations. b) organization of communities. d) habitats and niches. e) life cycles. f) influence of human activity on ecosystems.

Reading for Information Science Strand	Grade 3 Leveled Reader Titles	Virginia Science Standards Covered in Program
Earth Science	 Objects in the Sky Looking at Outer Space Exploring Outer Space 	Earth Patterns, Cycles, and Change 3.8 The student will investigate and understand basic patterns and cycles occurring in nature. Key concepts include: a) patterns of natural events (day and night, seasonal changes, phases of the moon, and tides).
		Grade 4 Standard Earth Patterns, Cycles, and Change 4.7 The student will investigate and understand the relationships among the Earth, moon, and sun. Key concepts include: a) the motions of the Earth, moon, and sun (revolution and rotation). b) the causes for the Earth's seasons and phases of the moon. c) the relative size, position, age, and makeup of the Earth, moon, and sun. d) historical contributions in understanding the Earth-moon-sun system.
Physical Science	 Facts about Matter Matter Matters All about Matter 	 Matter 3.3 The student will investigate and understand that objects are made of materials that can be described by their physical properties. Key concepts include: a) objects are made of one or more materials. b) materials are composed of parts that are too small to be seen without magnification. c) physical properties remain the same as the material is reduced in size. Grade 2 Standard Matter 2.3 The student will investigate and understand basic properties of solids, liquids, and gases. Key concepts include: b) processes involved with changes in matter from one state to another (condensation, evaporation, melting, and freezing).

Reading for Information Social Studies Strand	Grade 3 Leveled Reader Titles	Virginia Social Studies Standards Covered in Program
Civics	 Your Rights and Duties Good Citizens Rights and Responsibilities 	 Grade 2 Standard 2.10 The student will explain the responsibilities of a good citizen, with emphasis on: a) respecting and protecting the rights and property of others. b) taking part in the voting process when making classroom decisions. c) describing actions that can improve the school and community. d) demonstrating self-discipline and self-reliance. e) practicing honesty and trustworthiness.
Economics	 What We Need, What We Want Needs and Wants Making Choices 	 3.8 The student will recognize the concepts of specialization (being an expert on one job, product, or service) and interdependence (depending on others) in the production of goods and services (in ancient Greece, Rome, the West African Empire of Mali, and in the present). 3.9 The student will identify examples of making an economic choice and will explain the idea of opportunity cost (what is given up when making a choice). Grade 2 Standard 2.9 The student will explain that scarcity (limited resources) requires people to make choices about producing and consuming goods and services.
Geography	 United States Landforms Deserts and Coasts Different Climates 	3.6 The student will interpret geographic information from maps, tables, graphs, and charts.
History	 The Diné The Yurok The Nimi'ipuu 	Grade 2 Standard 2.2 The student will compare the lives and contributions of American Indians (First Americans), with emphasis on the Powhatan of the Eastern Woodlands, the Sioux of the Plains, and the Pueblo of the Southwest.

Reading for Information Grade 4 Correlations to Virginia Content Standards

Reading for Information	Grade 4 Leveled Reader Titles	Virginia Science Standards Covered in Program
Science Strand Life Science	Linking Living	Living Systems
Life Science	Things	4.5 The student will investigate and understand how plants and animals in an ecosystem
	Food Chains in	interact with one another and the nonliving environment. Key concepts include:
	Action	c) flow of energy through food webs.
	Food Chains and	
	Food Webs	Grade 3 Standard
		Living Systems
		3.5 The student will investigate and understand relationships among organisms in aquatic and terrestrial food chains. Key concepts include:
		a) producer, consumer, decomposer.
		b) herbivore, carnivore, omnivore.
		c) predation and prey.
Earth Science	• The Earth	Grade 5 Standard
	Beneath Your Feet	Earth Patterns, Cycles, and Change
	Our Changing	5.7 The student will investigate and understand how the Earth's surface is constantly
	Planet	changing. Key concepts include:
	• Earth's Changing	b) Earth history and fossil evidence.
	Surface	c) the basic structure of the Earth's interior.
		d) plate tectonics (earthquakes and volcanoes.
		e) weathering and erosion.

Reading for	Grade 4 Leveled	Virginia Science Standards Covered in Program
Information	Reader Titles	
Science Strand		
Physical Science	• It's Shocking!	Force, Motion, and Energy
	• Power It Up!	4.3 The student will investigate and understand characteristics of electricity. Key concepts
	• What Is	include:
	Electricity?	a) conductors and insulators.
		b) basic circuits (open/closed, parallel/series).
		c) static electricity.
		d) the ability of electrical energy to be transformed into heat, light, and mechanical
		energy.

Reading for Information Social Studies Strand	Grade 4 Leveled Reader Titles	Virginia Social Studies Standards Covered in Program
History	 What's Out West? Go West! Westward Expansion 	Virginia Studies VS.6. The student will demonstrate knowledge of the role of Virginia in the establishment of the new American nation by: c) explaining the influence of geography on the migration of Virginians into western territories.
		 United States History to 1877 USI.8. The student will demonstrate knowledge of westward expansion and reform in America from 1801 to 1861 by: a) describing territorial expansion and how it affected the political map of the United States, with emphasis on the Louisiana Purchase, the Lewis and Clark expedition, and the acquisitions of Florida, Texas, Oregon, and California. b) identifying the geographic and economic factors that influenced the westward movement of settlers.
		Virginia and United States History VUS.6. The student will demonstrate knowledge of the major events during the first half of the nineteenth century by: a) identifying the economic, political, and geographic factors that led to territorial expansion and its impact on the American Indian (First Americans).

Reading for Information Social Studies Strand	Grade 4 Leveled Reader Titles	Virginia Social Studies Standards Covered in Program
Geography	 Regions of the United States Land in the United States Living in the United States 	 Virginia Studies VS.2. The student will demonstrate knowledge of the geography and early inhabitants of Virginia by: b) locating and describing Virginia's Coastal Plain (Tidewater), Piedmont, Blue Ridge Mountains, Valley and Ridge, and Appalachian Plateau. c) locating and identifying water features important to the early history of Virginia (Atlantic Ocean, Chesapeake Bay, James River, York River, Potomac River, and Rappahannock River).
		 United States History to 1877 USI.2. The student will use maps, globes, photographs, pictures, and tables to: b) locate and describe the location of geographic regions of North America: Coastal Plain, Appalachian Mountains, Canadian Shield, Interior Lowlands, Great Plains, Rocky Mountains, Basin and Range, and Coastal Range. c) locate and identify the water features important to the early history of the United States: Great Lakes, Mississippi River, Missouri River, Ohio River, Columbia River, Colorado River, Rio Grade, Atlantic Ocean, Pacific Ocean, and Gulf of Mexico.

Reading for Information Social Studies Strand	Grade 4 Leveled Reader Titles	Virginia Social Studies Standards Covered in Program
Civics	Our Government	Civics and Economics
	• By the People,	CE.2. The student will demonstrate knowledge of the foundations of American
	For the People	constitutional government by:
gov b) e the Con the c) i	 a) explaining the fundamental principles of consent of the governed, limited government, rule of law, democracy, and representative government. b) explaining the significance of the charters of the Virginia Company of London, the Virginia Declaration of Rights, the Declaration of Independence, the Articles of Confederation, the Virginia Statue for Religious Freedom, and the Constitution of the United States, including the Bill of Rights. c) identifying the purposes for the Constitution of the United States as they are stated in its preamble. 	
		Virginia and United States History
		VUS.5. The student will demonstrate knowledge of the issues in the creation and ratification
		of the Constitution of the United States and how the principles of limited government,
		consent of the governed, and the social contract are embodies in it by:
		a) explaining the origins of the Constitution, including the Articles of Confederation.
		b) identifying the major compromises necessary to produce the Constitution, and the
		roles of James Madison and George Washington.
		c) describing the conflict over ratification, including the Bill of Rights and the arguments of the Federalists and Anti-Federalists.

Reading for Information Social Studies	Grade 4 Leveled Reader Titles	Virginia Social Studies Standards Covered in Program
Strand		
Economics	• Where We Live,	Civics and Economics
	Where We Work	EC.10. The student will demonstrate knowledge of the structure and operation of the United
	Working in	States economy by:
	America	b) explaining the circular flow that shows how consumers (households), businesses
	• The World's	(producers), and market interact.
	Economy	d) examining the relationship of Virginia and the United States to the global
		economy, with emphasis on the impact of technological innovations.

Reading for Information Grade 5 Correlations to Virginia Content Standards

Reading for Information	Grade 5 Leveled Reader Titles	Virginia Science Standards Covered in Program
Science Strand	Reduct Thies	
Life Science	 Your Body at Work The Human Body Your Body: A Complex Machine 	Living Systems 5.5 The student will investigate and understand that organisms are made of cells and have distinguishing characteristics. Key concepts include: a) basic cell structures and functions.
Earth Science	 Earth and Its Neighbors Our Solar System Exploring Our Solar System 	Grade 4 Standard Earth Patterns, Cycles, and Change 4.7 The student will investigate and understand the relationships among the Earth, moon, and sun. Key concepts include: a) the motions of the Earth, moon, and sun (revolution and rotation). b) the causes for the Earth's seasons and phases of the moon. c) the relative size, position, age, and makeup of the Earth, moon, and sun. d) historical contributions in understanding the Earth-moon-sun system.
		 Interrelationships in Earth/Space Systems 6.8 The student will investigate and understand the organization of the solar system and the relationships among the various bodies that comprise it. Key concepts include: a) the sun, moon, Earth, other planets and their moons, meteors, asteroids, and comets. b) relative size of and distance between planets. d) revolution and rotation. e) the mechanics of day and night and the phases of the moon. g) the relationship of the Earth's tilt and the seasons.

Reading for Information Science Strand	Grade 5 Leveled Reader Titles	Virginia Science Standards Covered in Program
Physical Science	 Making Matter Change Changing Matter Compounds and Mixtures 	Matter 5.4 The student will investigate and understand that matter is anything that has mass, takes up space, and occurs as a solid, liquid, or gas. Key concepts include: a) atoms, elements, molecules, and compounds. b) mixtures including solutions. c) the effect of heat on the states of matter.

Reading for Information Social Studies Strand	Grade 5 Leveled Reader Titles	Virginia Social Studies Standards Covered in Program
History	 The PlantationSystem Slavery in Early	United States History to 1877 USI.5. The student will demonstrate knowledge of the factors that shaped colonial America by:
	America • From Plantations to Abolition	 c) describing colonial life in America from the perspectives of large landowners, farmers, artisans, women, indentured servants, and slaves. USI.8. The student will demonstrate knowledge of westward expansion and reform in American from 1801 to 1861 by: d) identifying the main ideas of the abolitionist and suffrage movements.

Reading for Information Social Studies Strand	Grade 5 Leveled Reader Titles	Virginia Social Studies Standards Covered in Program
Geography	 Geography and the Colonies Settlement in Early America People and the Environment 	 Virginia Studies VS.2. The student will demonstrate knowledge of the geography and early inhabitants of Virginia by: a) locating Virginia and its bordering states on maps of the United States. c) locating and identifying water features important to the early history of Virginia (Atlantic Ocean, Chesapeake Bay, James River, York River, Potomac River, and Rappahannock River). VS.3. The student will demonstrate knowledge of the first permanent English settlement in America by: a) explaining the reasons for English colonization. United States History to 1877 USI.5. The student will demonstrate knowledge of the factors that shaped colonial America by: a) describing the religious and economic events and conditions that led to the colonization of America. b) comparing and contrasting life in the New England, Mid-Atlantic, and Southern colonies, with emphasis on how people interacted with their environment.

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Civics	Your American	Virginia Studies
	Government	VS.5. The student will demonstrate knowledge of the role of Virginia in the American
	• Crafting the	Revolution by:
	Constitution	a) identifying the reasons why the colonies went to war with England as expresses in
	• How a Bill	the Declaration of Independence
	Becomes a Law	
		United States History to 1877
		USI.7. The student will demonstrate knowledge of the challenges faced by the new nation
		by:
		b) identifying the basic principles of the new government established by the
		Constitution of the United States and the Bill of Rights.
		Civics and Economics
		CE.2. The student will demonstrate knowledge of the foundations of American constitutional government by:
		b) explaining the significance of the charters of the Virginia Company of London, the Virginia Declaration of Rights, the Declaration of Independence, the Articles
		of Confederation, the Virginia Statue for Religious Freedom, and the
		Constitution of the United States, including the Bill of Rights.
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		CE.6. The student will demonstrate knowledge of the American constitutional government
		by:
		a) explaining the relationship of state governments to the national government in the
		federal system.
		b) describing the structure and powers of local, state, and national governments.
		c) explaining the principle of separation of powers and the operation of checks and
		balances.

Reading for Information Social Studies Strand	Grade 5 Leveled Reader Titles	Virginia Social Studies Standards Covered in Program
Economics	 Colonial American Trade Colonial American Economics Economic Choices in Early America 	 Virginia Studies VS.4. The student will demonstrate knowledge of life in the Virginia colony by: a) explaining the importance of agricultural and its influence on the institution of slavery. b) describing how European (English, Scotch-Irish, German) immigrants, Africans, and American Indians (First Americans) influenced the cultural landscape and changed the relationship between the Virginia colony and England. d) describe how money, barter, and credit were used.
		United States History to 1877 USI.5. The student will demonstrate knowledge of the factors that shaped colonial America by: d) identifying political and economic relationships between the colonies and England.

Reading for Information Grade 6 Correlations to Virginia Content Standards

Reading for Information	Grade 6 Leveled Reader Titles	Virginia Science Standards Covered in Program
Science Strand	Neauer Thies	
Life Science	 Organizing Living Things The Classification System Classifying Living Things 	Grade 5 Standard Living Systems 5.5 The student will investigate and understand that organisms are made of cells and have distinguishing characteristics. Key concepts include: b) kingdoms of living things. c) vascular and nonvascular plants. d) vertebrates and invertebrates.
Earth Science	 Earth's Resources Understanding Natural Resources Using Natural Resources 	 Force, Motion, and Energy 6.2 The student will investigate and understand basic sources of energy, their origin, transformations, and uses. Key concepts include: c) nonrenewable energy sources (fossil fuels including petroleum, natural gas, and coal). d) renewable energy sources (wood, wind, hydro, geothermal, tidal, and solar). Resources 6.9 The student will investigate and understand public policy decisions relating to the environment. Key concepts include:
		 a) management of renewable resources (water, air, soil, plant life, animal life). b) management of nonrenewable resources (coal, oil, natural gas, nuclear power, mineral resources). c) the mitigation of land-use and environmental hazards through preventive measures. d) cost/benefit tradeoffs in conservation policies.

Reading for	Grade 6 Leveled	Virginia Science Standards Covered in Program
Information	Reader Titles	
Science Strand		
Physical Science	Heating Up	Force, Motion, and Energy
	 Heat Around Us 	6.2 The student will investigate and understand basic sources of energy, their origin,
	 Understanding 	transformations, and uses. Key concepts include:
	Heat	e) energy transformations (heat/light to mechanical, chemical, and electrical energy).
		6.3 The student will investigate and understand the role of solar energy in driving most natural processes within the atmosphere, the hydrosphere, and on the Earth's surface. Key concepts include:
		b) the role of radiation and convection in the distribution of energy.

Reading for Information Social Studies Strand	Grade 6 Leveled Reader Titles	Virginia Social Studies Standards Covered in Program
History	 Egypt Long Ago Ancient China Ancient Greece 	 World History and Geography to 1500 A.D. WHI.3. The student will demonstrate knowledge of ancient river valley civilizations, including Egypt, Mesopotamia, the Indus River Valley, and China and the civilizations of the Hebrews, Phoenicians, and Kush, by: a) locating these civilizations in time and place. c) explaining the development of religious traditions. e) explaining the development of language and writing. WHI.4. The student will demonstrate knowledge of the civilizations of Persia, India, and China in terms of chronology, geography, social structures, government, economy, religion, and contributions to later civilizations by: e) describing China, with emphasis on the development of an empire and the construction of the Great Wall. WHI.5. The student will demonstrate knowledge of ancient Greece in terms of its impact on Western civilization by: a) assessing the influence of geography on Greek economy, social, and political development, including the impact of Greek commerce and colonies. f) citing contributions in drama, poetry, history, sculpture, architecture, science, mathematics, and philosophy, with emphasis on Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle. g) Explaining the conquest of Greece by Macedonia and the spread of Hellenistic culture by Alexander the Great.

Reading for Information Social Studies Strand	Grade 6 Leveled Reader Titles	Virginia Social Studies Standards Covered in Program
Geography	 The Life-Giving Nile Life in Africa and Arabia Empires of the Americas 	 World History and Geography to 1500 A.D. WHI.11. The student will demonstrate knowledge f major civilizations of the Western Hemisphere, including the Mayan, Aztec, and Incan, by: a) describing geographic relationship, with emphasis on patterns of development in terms of climate and physical features. b) Describing cultural patterns and political and economic structures.
		 World Geography WG.2. The student will analyze how selected physical and ecological processes shape the Earth's surface by: a) identifying regional climatic patterns and weather phenomena and their effects on people and places. b) Describing how humans influence the environment and are influenced by it.
		 WG.3. The student will apply the concept of a region by: a) explaining how characteristics of regions have led to regional labels. b) Explaining how regional landscapes reflect cultural characteristics of their inhabitants. c) Analyzing how cultural characteristics, including the world's major languages and religions, link or divide regions.
Civics	 Government in Action Global Relationships Yugoslavia: A Changing Nation 	 World Geography WG.9. The student will analyze the global patterns and networks of economic interdependence by: a) identifying criteria that influence economic activities. b) Explaining comparative advantage and its relationship to international trade. c) Describing ways that economic and social interactions have changed over time.

Reading for	Grade 6 Leveled	Virginia Social Studies Standards Covered in Program
Information Social	Reader Titles	
Studies Strand		
Economics	Changing Economies	Civics and Economics
	• Economies Around	
	the World	CE.9. The student will demonstrate knowledge of how economic decisions are made
	• Many Economies,	in the marketplace by:
	One World	
		a) applying the concepts of scarcity, resources choice, opportunity cost,
		price, incentives, supply and demand, production, and consumption.
		b) comparing the differences among free market, command, and mixed economies.
		c) describing the characteristics of the United States economy, including free markets, private property, profit, and competition.